

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
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CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 11th day of July, 2005 the Aransas Pass Municipal Development District convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

ARANSAS PASS MUNICIPAL
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
PRESENT:

HOPE COMINGORE	Vice President
NAOMI HANSEN	Member
DOROTHY ROBERTS	Member
SHERRI TRINGALI	Member
LAURA WELBORN	Member

ABSENT:	ROBERT JAYNE	President
	LINDA SMITH	Secretary
	JIMMY TURNER	Member

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT:	DEBRA KELLER	Interim Executive Director/Treasurer
	Ada Owens	Recording Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ABSENT:	None
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OTHERS PRESENT:	Newly appointed Members Don Williams, Don McTee, and Randy Boatman
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ITEM 1.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Vice President Comingore called the Meeting to order at 8:39 P.M. on July 11, 2005. Vice President Comingore stated there was a quorum present.

Newly appointed Board Members Don McTee, Don Williams, Randy Boatman, and presiding Board Members present introduced themselves.

ITEM 2.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 7, 2005.

Member Welborn made the motion the minutes of the regular meeting of June 7, 2005 be approved. Member Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEM 3.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Executive Directors stated reporting on the land issue, she had talked to Ms. Upton and she was willing to sell her property, but did not state a price. She stated Ms. Turner did not call her back regarding her property.

Executive Director stated the financial reports would be on the next agenda and she would send the financial statements to the outgoing Members for their records.

Executive Director stated she would take the approved minutes to the bank to avoid the \$60.00 monthly fee on the previous account.

Executive Director stated she had asked the City's Finance Officer to give her the invoice backup for 2004. She stated she still did not have all of the District's 2004-2005 fiscal year invoices, which she was trying to keep together. Executive Director stated she had also asked the Financial Officer about the bank contract because the District was involved in the City's bank contract with Bank of America. The Finance Officer told her the bank contract had expired and the City was preparing a Request for Proposal for a new contract. Executive Director stated she had told the Finance Officer to let her know because the District wanted to be a part of the City's bank contract.

Executive Director stated she thought the joint workshop with the City Council tonight was very productive. Executive Director welcomed the new Board Members and offered her contact information to them and stated she was available to help them.

Executive Director stated she did get a revised invoice for the Recording Secretary's time for the District and she would put it on the next agenda to be paid.

Executive Director stated she wanted to rent a Post Office box for the District. The District's mail comes to City Hall and mixes with the City's mail. She was not always able to get to City Hall when it is open. It would be easier to get mail from a Post Office box. She stated if no one objected she would have the District's mail forwarded and change the address to the Post Office box. There was no objection.

Executive Director stated the Board had discussed a website previously and she wanted to see if there was still interest. It would be less costly to have a website in conjunction with the City and she would discuss it with the City Manager. Discussion about a website followed.

Executive Director stated there were still grants available for emergency shelters through the General Land Office and she would research it.

Member Hansen asked is the civic center going to double as an emergency shelter?

Executive Director stated yes, but she did not know the specifications.

Member Welborn stated the City had too many people not the have an emergency shelter as they realized last year when it snowed. That would be one reason to have the civic center centralized because some people do not have transportation.

Mr. Don McTee asked was there information on how many of those people (in need of an emergency shelter) there were in the City?

Member Welborn stated during the snow at Christmas the Methodist Church set up an emergency shelter. The trailers between the City and Port Aransas are totally isolated during bad weather. There were over 130 kids in the school district that are considered homeless and those are just children; they are not evacuating. It is not feasible for a lot of the people at the nursing home to be evacuated. A lot of people cannot get across the bridge so we need an emergency shelter for them.

Executive Director stated the Hotel/Motel tax could be a funding source for the operation of a civic/community center. She thought the District needed to approach the City Council about using a portion of the Hotel/Motel tax. She stated it is rare that a civic center is profitable or that it breaks even because, like a park, it is an amenity for the community and a service provided to the citizens.

Member Tringali stated she would take issue with, in essence, putting the Chamber of Commerce out of business on the Hotel/Motel tax money because the Chamber does promote the City; promote people coming in and staying in our motels which, granted, a civic center does too bring people in, but that money (Hotel/Motel tax) is to put heads in beds, which is what our Chamber of Commerce strives to do. Those funds are very much needed on that side.

Member Welborn asked does the Chamber of Commerce get the Hotel/Motel tax money?

Member Tringali stated the Chamber gets a portion of it, a percentage of the tax. And she was in no way going to advocate taking that away from the Chamber.

Member Roberts stated the Chamber gets 70% of the Hotel/Motel tax.

Executive Director stated she brought that up because it is a possible funding source that the City can look at. She stated that was something the District could talk to the City about at some point, but she thought that was a critical part of how the civic center is going to be funded. If the civic center cannot be maintained and kept open then you have not done the complete project justice.

Vice President Comingore asked if the City agrees to take over operation of the civic center after the first year, if the City has 30% of the Hotel/Motel tax money (couldn't they use that money for operations)?

Executive Director stated the District shouldn't be in the business of running the civic center. That was not, typically, what you see economic development or corporations doing-paying for the operations for those types of things. It can be done; in the Local Government Code that defines what the District can do; that the District can have a project that is a convention/civic center and the District can pay for it. She stated she would need to read more in depth about the operations of it, she was not sure the District could fund the operations continuously. The Board needed to think about who was going to pay for the operations after the civic center is built.

Executive Director stated she had not heard any more about the retainage on the pool. Executive Director explained the retainage to the new Members.

ITEM 4.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS.

There were none.

ITEM 5.

GENERAL DISCUSSION.

There was none.

ITEM 6.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Member Tringali moved to adjourn the meeting. There was a second by Member Roberts. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Hope Comingore,

Vice President

Debra Keller

Executive Director

ATTEST:

Ada Owens

Recording Secretary